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Sir:

The following documents are being submitted under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(c) herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. USPTO Utility Patent Application Transmittal Form PTO/SB/05;
2. U.S. Utility Patent Application entitled:

Method and System for Flexible Channel Association

and naming as inventors:

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the application consisting of:

- a. A specification containing 27 total pages:

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- (i) 21 pages of description prior to any claims;
- (ii) 5 pages of claims (21 claims); and
- (iii) a one page abstract;

b. 4 sheets of drawings: (Figures 1-4); and

d. an Application Data Sheet (37 C.F.R. § 1.76);

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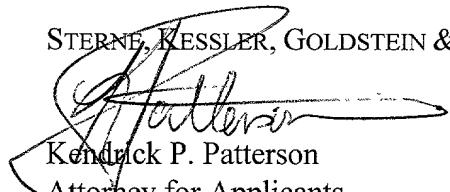
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